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Bejesus gone, the customs of the clan
Look crazy. Woman, she just ain't the same—
She lost what once belong to make a man
Get up and make a song about her name.

It used to be bejazzments in the air
Romagnetizing woman's hair, and eyes
Electrolyzing bone; and just a flare
Of hip be like a hook to hypnotize.

That woman, just a girl. It ain't your voice
She listen for, but Momma, and her friend.
That thing you wanted—that don't be her choice;
She want a baby, and the coin to spend.

That woman on the far side of the river—
What she want you can't no more deliver.